NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Environmental Quality
Office of the Secretary
Legal Affairs Division

Repeal of Incorporation by Reference of 40 CFR 63, Subpart DDDDD (LAC 33:III.501, 3003, and 5122) (AQ290ft)

Under the authority of the Environmental Quality Act, R.S. 30:2001 et seq., and in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., the secretary gives notice that rulemaking procedures have been initiated to amend the Air regulations, LAC 33:III.501, 3003, and 5122 (Log #AQ290ft).

This proposed rule is identical to federal regulations found in 70 FR 55568-55581, September 22, 2005, and 40 CFR 63, Subpart DDDDD, which are applicable in Louisiana. For more information regarding the federal requirements, contact the Regulation Development Section at (225) 219-3550 or Box 4302, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4302. No fiscal or economic impact will result from the proposed rule; therefore, the rule will be promulgated in accordance with R.S. 49:953(F)(3) and (4).

This rule repeals the department's incorporation by reference of 40 CFR 63, Subpart DDDD—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters (hereafter, the Boiler MACT) and the September 22, 2005, revisions to the definitions of *commercial and industrial solid waste incineration (CISWI) unit, commercial or industrial waste*, and *solid waste* found in 40 CFR 60.2265 and 60.2875 (hereafter, the CISWI Definitions Rule). The department incorporated by reference the provisions of the revisions to the definitions in 40 CFR 60.2265 and 60.2875 at LAC 33:III.3003, and the Boiler MACT at LAC 33:III.5122.A. On June 8, 2007, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit vacated the Boiler MACT and the CISWI Definitions Rule (*Natural Resources Defense Council v. EPA*, D.C. Cir., No. 04-1385). The Court made its ruling effective on July 30, 2007.

In sum, the Court concluded that EPA's definition of "commercial or industrial waste" was too narrow in scope, thereby improperly limiting the number of solid waste incineration units subject to Section 129 of the Clean Air Act. Thus, the standard to which a number of sources will ultimately be subject—whether it be the "re-promulgated" Boiler MACT, federal rules for commercial and industrial solid waste incineration units (i.e., 40 CFR 60, Subpart CCCC), or Louisiana's §111(d) plan implementing 40 CFR 60, Subpart DDDD (69 FR 9949-9954, March 3, 2004)—is ambiguous at best and not likely to be resolved in the near term. Prior to the court's ruling, the department incorporated requirements of the rules into air operating permits. In light of the ruling, the department is seeking to maintain consistency with the federal rules and to provide the public with information regarding the status of existing permit conditions citing the vacated federal provisions. The basis and rationale for this rule are to amend the regulations to be identical to federal rules in response to the Court ruling vacating the Boiler MACT and the CISWI Definitions Rule.

This proposed rule meets an exception listed in R.S. 30:2019(D)(2) and R.S. 49:953(G)(3); therefore, no report regarding environmental/health benefits and social/economic costs is required. This proposed rule has no known impact on family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

A public hearing will be held on November 28, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. in the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. Interested persons are invited to attend and submit oral comments on the proposed amendments. Should individuals with a disability need an accommodation in order to participate, contact Judith A. Schuerman, Ph.D., at the address given below or at (225) 219-3550. Parking in the Galvez Garage is free with a validated parking ticket.

All interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulation. Persons commenting should reference this proposed regulation by AQ290ft. Such comments must be received no later than November 28, 2007, at 4:30 p.m., and should be sent to Judith A. Schuerman, Ph.D., Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, Box 4302, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4302 or to FAX (225) 219-3582 or by e-mail to judith.schuerman@la.gov. The comment period for this rule ends on the same date as the public hearing. Copies of this proposed regulation can be purchased by contacting the DEQ Public Records Center at (225) 219-3168. Check or money order is required in advance for each copy of AQ290ft. This regulation is available on the Internet at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/1669/default.aspx.

This proposed regulation is available for inspection at the following DEQ office locations from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.: 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802; 1823 Highway 546, West Monroe, LA 71292; State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71101; 1301 Gadwall Street, Lake Charles, LA 70615; 111 New Center Drive, Lafayette, LA 70508; 110 Barataria Street, Lockport, LA 70374; 645 N. Lotus Drive, Suite C, Mandeville, LA 70471.

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Title 33 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY Part III. Air

Chapter 5. Permit Procedures

§501. Scope and Applicability

A. – B.7. ...

8. Any term or condition in a permit that references 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart DDDDD shall be null and unenforceable, unless the condition was included in the permit in lieu of an alternative applicable, enforceable condition. Such terms or conditions shall be removed or modified, as appropriate, in the next modification or renewal of the permit.

C. – C.13. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 30:2011 and 2054. HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Air Quality and Nuclear Energy, Air Quality Division, LR 13:741 (December 1987), amended by the Office of Air Quality and Radiation Protection, Air Quality Division, LR 16:613 (July 1990), LR 17:478 (May 1991), LR 19:1420 (November 1993), LR 20:1281 (November 1994), LR 20:1375 (December 1994), LR 23:1677 (December 1997), amended by the Office of the Secretary, LR 25:660 (April 1999), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning Division, LR 26:2445 (November 2000), LR 28:997 (May 2002), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, LR 31:1063 (May 2005), amended by the Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, LR 31:2436 (October 2005), LR 32:1842 (October 2006), LR 33:** (October 2007), LR 33:**.

Chapter 30. Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources (NSPS)

Subchapter A. Incorporation by Reference

§3003. Incorporation by Reference of 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 60

A. – B.9, table. ...

10. The definitions of *commercial and industrial solid waste incineration* (CISWI) unit, commercial or industrial waste, and solid waste do not include the revisions to the definitions in 40 CFR 60.2265 and 60.2875, promulgated by the EPA on September 22, 2005 (70 FR 55568-55581).

C. ...

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HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Air Quality and Radiation Protection, Air Quality Division, LR 22:1212 (December 1996), amended LR 23:1681 (December 1997), LR 24:1287 (July 1998), LR 24:2238 (December 1998), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning Division, LR 25:1239 (July 1999), LR 25:1797 (October 1999), LR 26:1607 (August 2000), LR 26:2460, 2608 (November 2000), LR 27:2229 (December 2001), LR 28:994 (May 2002), LR 28:2179 (October 2002), LR 29:316 (March 2003), LR 29:698 (May 2003), LR 30:1009 (May 2004),

amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, LR 31:1568 (July 2005), amended by the Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, LR 31:2446 (October 2005), LR 32:809 (May 2006), LR 32:1596 (September 2006), LR 33:1620 (August 2007), LR 33:** (October 2007), LR 33:**.

Chapter 51. Comprehensive Toxic Air Pollutant Emission Control Program

Subchapter C. Incorporation by Reference of 40 CFR Part 63 (National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories) as It Applies to Major Sources

§5122. Incorporation by Reference of 40 CFR Part 63 (National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories) as It Applies to Major Sources

 $A. - C.2. \dots$

3. 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart D, Regulations Governing Compliance Extensions for Early Reductions of Hazardous Air Pollutants; Subpart E, Approval of State Programs and Delegation of Federal Authorities; and Subpart J, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Polyvinyl Chloride and Copolymers Production; and Subpart DDDDD, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters, are not included in this incorporation by reference.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 30:2054.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Air Quality and Radiation Protection, Air Quality Division, LR 23:61 (January 1997), amended LR 23:1659 (December 1997), LR 24:1278 (July 1998), LR 24:2240 (December 1998), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning Division, LR 25:1464 (August 1999), LR 25:1798 (October 1999), LR 26:690 (April 2000), LR 26:2271 (October 2000), LR 27:2230 (December 2001), LR 28:995 (May 2002), LR 28:2180 (October 2002), LR 29:699 (May 2003), LR 29:1474 (August 2003), LR 30:1010 (May 2004), amended by the Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, LR 31:2449 (October 2005), LR 31:3115 (December 2005), LR 32:810 (May 2006), LR 33:1620 (August 2007), LR 33:** (October 2007), LR 33:**